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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

15:00 — Conference Room 1

Informal consultations convened by the co-facilitators of the consultations aimed at enhancing synergies and coherence and reducing overlap in the agendas of the General Assembly, the Economic and Social Council and their subsidiary bodies, as well as the high-level political forum on sustainable development and other related forums, in light of the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 1 March 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

10:00 — 24th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

1. Organization of work (A/C.5/71/L.22)

   General discussion

2. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [item 115]

   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/71/101/Rev.1/Add.1)

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3. Joint Inspection Unit (A/71/34, A/71/34/Corr.1 and A/71/779) [item 140]

Introduction and general discussion

4. Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: Thematic cluster II: sanctions monitoring teams, groups and panels: Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons-United Nations Joint Investigative Mechanism (A/71/365/Add.8 and A/71/595/Add.8)

Revised estimates relating to the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 under sections 27, Humanitarian assistance, and 36, Staff assessment: United Nations Monitoring Mechanism for the Syrian Arab Republic (A/71/761 and A/71/811)

Introduction and general discussion

Lessons learned exercise on the coordination activities of the United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (A/70/737, A/70/737/Corr.1 and A/71/810)

Introduction and general discussion

Status of implementation of the information and communications technology strategy for the United Nations (A/71/400 and A/71/785)

Introduction and general discussion

5. Financing of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals [item 148]

Construction of a new facility for the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals, Arusha branch (A/71/753 and A/71/812)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning (following the adjournment of the 24th meeting) to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Lessons learned exercise on the coordination activities of the United Nations Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (A/70/737, A/70/737/Corr.1 and A/71/810))

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 140 (Joint Inspection Unit (A/71/34, A/71/34/Corr.1 and A/71/779))

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: Thematic cluster II: sanctions monitoring teams, groups and panels: Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons-United Nations Joint Investigative Mechanism (A/71/365/Add.8 and A/71/595/Add.8))

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
2017 substantive session

Sub-working Group 2

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Sub-working Group 1

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole (A/71/587, A/71/587/Add.1, A/71/658–S/2016/1018 and A/71/660–S/2016/1033) [item 7]

[*PaperSmart* will be offered as an additional service for the 2017 substantive session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations. The official documentation of the Special Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart portal by *clicking here* in all official languages.

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat via the e-deleGATE electronic portal (https://delegate.un.int).

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-third session

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Organizational Committee

10:00 Informal meeting Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Commission on the Status of Women

Informal consultations

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 9

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Eliminating sexual harassment in the workplace", under item 3 (a) (i) of the provisional agenda of the sixty-first session of the Commission, convened by Permanent Mission of Israel

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Sexual exploitation and abuse crimes" (under agenda item 123) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Jordan, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan and Rwanda)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room E

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Tuesday, 7, and Wednesday, 8 March 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

Informal meeting (closed) of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council

Delegates wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for the meeting on Tuesday, 7 March, are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org, with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org)). The meeting on Wednesday, 8 March, will be interactive in nature and will not have a prepared list of speakers.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 February 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

First part of the resumed session

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination

27 to 31 March and 15 June to 7 July 2017

The United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination is convened pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/258 of 23 December 2016.

The agenda of the Conference and the timetable of meetings of the March session of the Conference are contained in documents A/CONF.229/2017/2 and A/CONF.229/2017/3, respectively.

A note by the Secretariat containing information for participants will be issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1.

Delegations wishing to participate in the *general exchange of views*, including the *high-level segment*, are requested to inscribe with the United Nations Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (nuclear.conference@un.org), indicating the name and title of the speaker, as well as the topic they wish to speak on. The *list of speakers* will be established on a first-come first-served basis, with the customary protocol that ensures that ministers and senior officials speak first, followed by other heads of delegation.

Delegations participating in the *general exchange of views* during the March session of the Conference are encouraged to limit their statements to *ten minutes*.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal of the Conference only after delivery by delegations. Also a minimum of *30 copies* of the text of statements to be delivered at the Conference should be submitted in advance to the Secretariat.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3604, S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week before Monday, 27 March 2017*. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Permanent representatives and observers are kindly requested to submit a *comprehensive list of the members of their delegation* to the Conference, including the functional titles and affiliations of each member, to the Secretariat of the Conference (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org; Room S-3058) *no later than Friday, 31 March 2017*. A final comprehensive list of delegations to the Conference will be issued in August 2017.

The *participation of non-governmental organizations* in the Conference shall be governed by the decision adopted by the conference at its organizational session on 16 February 2017 (A/CONF.229/2017/4). A note by the Secretariat containing information for civil society representatives has been issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/2.

It is strongly recommended that documents submitted by States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities *should not exceed five pages* (2,650 words) to reduce costs, facilitate translation and ensure timely issuance. States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word format to the Conference Secretariat (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org). In light of the short timeframe in which the Conference will conduct its work, advance and unedited submissions may be posted in their original language on the Conference website maintained by the Office for Disarmament Affairs upon request, pending their issuance in six languages.

Limited space for lunchtime *side events* is available in the main conference room assigned to the Conference. Delegations wishing to hold a lunchtime side event in Conference Room 4 (27 to 31 March) or Conference Room 1 (15 June to 7 July) are invited to contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378), with a copy of the request to nuclear.conference@un.org. The available space will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

Additional information on the Conference is also available on the Conference website.

Disarmament Commission
2017 substantive session
3 to 21 April 2017

Monday, 3 April

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 3

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate are invited to kindly submit, *in writing*, the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat (Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378). The Secretariat would also appreciate it if delegations would communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, via Note Verbale (e-mail vrastiak@un.org), *as soon as possible*, the name(s) of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Disarmament Commission.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-seventh session
5 to 23 June 2017

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 19 May 2017*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (304 East 45th Street, Room FF-700; tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; fax 1 (212) 963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-third session

Friday, 10 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Open meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

To mark the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the Commission and to highlight the work it carried out in these two decades and reflect on the relationship between the Commission and the other two treaty bodies established under the Convention, namely the International Seabed Authority and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

For the programme of the open meeting, please *click here*.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Partnership Forum

Wednesday, 5 April 2017 **Trusteeship Council Chamber**

The Economic and Social Council will hold its 2017 Partnership Forum on the theme "Partnerships for promoting opportunities, increased prosperity and sustainable development for all".

The forum will be interactive in nature and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. Delegations are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *three minutes* (*five minutes* for group statements).

All are invited to attend. Members of the Council are requested to communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail leonc@un.org), with a copy to yogasundram@un.org, *as early as possible*. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Council of their prospective participation in the forum *no later than 12 noon* on Tuesday, 4 April 2017, to be pre-assigned a seat in the meeting room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the Partnership Forum, including the concept note and draft programme, is available from the website of the Economic and Social Council (please *click here*). For further details, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Mr. Ajit Yogasundram (e-mail yogasundram@un.org; or tel. 1 (917) 367-5027).

Coordination and management meeting

19 to 21 April 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections to fill vacancies in its subsidiary bodies at the coordination and management meeting. The list of subsidiary bodies for which the Council will take action on is available on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

Delegations and Chairs of the regional groups wishing to nominate candidates are kindly requested to send their correspondence *no later than Thursday, 30 March 2017*, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (Attn: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (e-mail sharma7@un.org), with a copy to Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)); by mail to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch (Room S-1275); or by fax 1 (212) 963-5935.

Statistical Commission

Forty-eighth session

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

10:30 Opening meeting **General Assembly Hall**

Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 March 2017 **Conference Room 4**

The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2017/1 and E/CN.3/2017/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat, *as soon as possible*, the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

Delegations are informed that *PaperSmart services* will be offered as an additional service for the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart1@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the *list of participants* are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (c/o Mr. Victor Leu ;e-mails sharma7@un.org and leu@un.org; Room S-3073)).

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

To consult the *list of side events* during the forty-eighth session of the Commission, please *click here*.

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixty-first session
13 to 24 March 2017

Monday, 13 March 2017

10:00 Opening meeting General Assembly Hall

The annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2017/1 and E/CN.6/2017/1/Add.1/Rev.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission website (please, *click here*). The *list of side events* on the occasion of the sixty-first session of the Commission is available by *clicking here*.

For the participation and seating arrangements, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Moncef Khane, of the composition of their delegations *as soon as possible* (c/o Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; Room S-1274; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in the conference room, only observers who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 9 March 2017*, will have reserved seats. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The general discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 13 March, in the morning, and will continue in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 14 March, and Wednesday, 15 March; in the afternoon of Thursday, 16 March, and Friday, 17 March; and in the morning of Wednesday, 22 March.

The *list of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3* is open. Requests for inscription should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and functional title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Commission (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the established practice, statements made by individual delegations shall not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States shall not exceed *ten minutes*.

The Commission will hold four *ministerial round tables under the priority theme* in the afternoon of Monday, 13 March 2017. For additional details, please refer to the discussion guide (E/CN.6/2017/5).

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister and to indicate the first preference and one back-up option for participation in the ministerial round table, *no later than Tuesday, 7 March*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The Commission will also hold three *interactive dialogues as part of its ministerial segment* in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 14 March, and in the morning of Wednesday, 15 March, in parallel to the general discussion.

Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and functional title of the minister or other governmental official wishing to participate in the dialogues, *no later than Tuesday, 7 March*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive dialogues, including the ministerial round tables.

PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service during the sixty-first session of the Commission. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to e-mail papersmart3@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission's PaperSmart portal.

Information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council* in the work of the Commission is available by *clicking here*. As requested in relevant resolutions, the *reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council* are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixty-first session and can be addressed by *clicking here*.

Commission on Population and Development
Fiftieth session

Monday, 3, to Friday, 7 April 2017 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session and the proposed organization of work are contained in documents E/CN.9/2017/1 and E/CN.9/20.7/L.1, respectively. To consult background information and official documents for the session, please *click here*.

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Christa Giles (e-mail giles@un.org; Room S-3066; with copy to leu@un.org).

Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4, on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The *lists of speakers* for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)).

In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 3 (General debate on: (a) Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels; and (b) Special theme of the fiftieth session of the Commission based on the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions to accelerate its further implementation), will be held from Monday, 3 April 2017 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2017/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

For *statements and PaperSmart arrangements*, delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the fiftieth session of the Commission.

The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages (*click here*).

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org *at least 1 hour* in advance of their designated speaking slot and to bring 30 copies of their statements for technical services.

The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Information on *side events*, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission, can be accessed by *clicking here*.

For the *election of the Bureau of the fifty-first session*, the Commission will hold the first meeting of its fifty-first session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its fiftieth session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Sexual exploitation and abuse crimes" (under agenda item 123) (convened by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Jordan, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan and Rwanda)

Tuesday, 7 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 *Conference Room 9*

Forthcoming other meetings

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Workshop on "Building Capacity for Effective Leadership" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) New York Office, with the collaboration of Columbia Law School)

Wednesday, 8 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room E

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room E

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Álvarez, UNITAR New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org;); to register, please *click here*.

Briefing on "Measuring up to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Contributions from FAO" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

Thursday, 9 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Anastasia Kefalidou, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail kefalidoua@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0990); or *click here*.

Workshop on "Introductory Seminar on Human Rights and Sustainable Development Goals" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and research (UNITAR) New York Office)

Monday, 20 March 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Room S-0310

15:00 to 18:00 Room S-0310

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Briefing on "2017 Global Infrastructure Forum" (co-organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the European Investment Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank)

Thursday, 30 March 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact DESA (Mr. Arend Janssen (e-mail janssena@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5620); or Ms. Jie Wei (e-mail weij@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5105)); or *click here*.

Announcements

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law

The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs recently added the following series of lectures on International Law Relating to Islands to the Lecture Series of the United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law (AVL) website: Professor Sean D. Murphy – "Islands, Rocks, and Low-Tide Elevations", "Methods for Securing Sovereignty over an Island", "Islands in relation to Maritime Zones" and "Effects of Islands on Maritime Boundary Delimitation". All interested parties are invited to visit the website. Please, *click here* to access the lectures.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *March 2017*:

General Assembly documentation

Security Council documentation

Introduction to legal resources

Introduction to United Nations documents (English, French)

Finding speeches (English, French)

Voting information (English, French)

Treaty research

Introduction to library services

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For further information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations.

The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available. For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 2 March 2017

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Operational activities for development segment

[archived video]

15th meeting

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation [item 7]

(a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

The Council continued its consideration of the sub-item.

The Vice-President of the Council (Chile) opened the meeting and made a statement.

Interactive panel discussion on "Integrated implementation of the 2030 Agenda: the role of the United Nations Development System in addressing the needs and diverse challenges of Middle Income Countries"

Mr. James Cockayne, Head of Office of the United Nations University in New York, made a statement and proceeded to moderate the panel discussion.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Her Excellency Olga Marta Sánchez Oviedo, Minister of National Planning and Economic Policy of Costa Rica; His Excellency Andrei Dapkiunas, Permanent Representative of Belarus to the United Nations; and Mr. René Mauricio Valdés, United Nations Resident Coordinator and United Nations Development Programme Resident Representative in Argentina.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the panellists responded to the comments made and the questions posed the representatives of Honduras, Peru, Belgium, Australia, Colombia and Argentina, as well as by the observers for Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and El Salvador.

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation [item 7]

(a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

(b) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, and the World Food Programme

The Council resumed its general discussion of the agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Korea, Estonia, the United Kingdom, India, the Russian Federation, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Afghanistan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Azerbaijan, Argentina and Algeria, as well as by the observers for Cuba, the Philippines, Egypt, Guatemala, the Netherlands, Thailand, Panama, Switzerland, Mexico, Indonesia, Myanmar, the United Republic of Tanzania and Armenia.

The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made a statement.

The Council thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 7 as a whole.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President (Chile), the Council took note of documents A/72/61–E/2017/4 (under item 7 (a)) and E/2016/34/Rev.1 (under item 7 (b)).

Conclusion of the segment

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs made closing remarks.

The Vice-President (Chile) made a closing statement and concluded the operational activities for development segment of the 2017 session of the Council, while noting that agenda item 7 would remain open for consideration.

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